

Waste Connections of Alaska, Inc.
Cost of Fuel Surcharge (COFS) Update
Memorandum

Date: June 3, 2022

Utility Name Waste Connections of Alaska, Inc.	Utility File No. TA143-692	Date Filed: April 26, 2022
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FILING SUMMARY

Statutory Deadline: June 10, 2022	Tariff Sheet recommended for approval: Tariff Sheet No. 63.2 April 26, 2022	Staff Recommended Effective Date: May 1, 2022
Side-by-side Tariff Sheet attached as Appendix 3		

COFS SUMMARY

Prior Commission Determination TA Number	Date of Prior Commission Determination	Prior Commission Determination	Staff Recommended Determination	Change
TA142-692	March 1, 2022	2.5034%	3.9157%	1.4123%

Signed: _____ *Heather Jesse* _____ Utility Tariff Analyst
Heather Jesse

Reasons for the above recommendation: See Attached Memorandum

	Date, if different from 6/3/2022	I CONCUR	I DO NOT CONCUR	I WILL WRITE A DISSENTING STATEMENT*
Pickett		<i>RMP</i>		
Doyle				
Kurber		<i>KKI</i>		
Sullivan		<i>JS</i>		
Wilson		<i>JWW</i>		

Special Instructions to Staff: _____

* If this column is initialed, Staff will contact the Commissioner for the statement. Otherwise, dissent will be noted at the close of the By Direction Letter or Order.

Waste Connections of Alaska, Inc.
COFS Update
Memorandum

To: Robert M. Pickett, Chairman
Robert A. Doyle
Keith Kurber II
Daniel A. Sullivan
Janis W. Wilson

Date: June 3, 2022

File: TA143-692

Utility: Waste Connections of Alaska, Inc.

From: Heather Jesse

Subject: COFS

COFS Comments:

Staff reviewed this tariff filing to ensure compliance with applicable regulations (3 AAC 48.200-3 AAC 48.430). Staff also reviewed the proposed tariff sheets to ensure the stated text is easily understood, and the tariff provisions clearly and comprehensively describe and address the situation to which the tariff provision applies. When approving the tariff filing, the Commission must be assured that proposed rates and services are just, resonable, and non-discriminatory. Proposed revisions to COFS are reviewed pursuant to the methodology approved with Order No. U-09-012(10) and must be filed with documentation supporting entries in the balancing account for the historical period and projections for the future period.

Staff Notes:

Appendix 2 shows that the estimated fuel costs increased from \$215,710 to \$241,818, the balancing account balance increased from \$141,277 to \$199,410 and the estimated revenues decreased from \$6,247,927 to \$6,191,851. The upward pressure from the increase in estimated costs, the increase in the balancing account balance, and the decrease in estimated revenues results in an increase of Waste Connections of Alaska, Inc.'s COFS from 2.5034% to 3.9157%.

Staff Recommendation:

The Commission should approve Tariff Sheet No. 63.2, filed April 26, 2022, by Waste Connections of Alaska, Inc. with TA143-692. The effective date of the tariff sheet should be May 1, 2022.

Additional Comments:

Waste Connections of Alaska, Inc.
Calculation and Comparison of Residential Bill
TA143-692

Customer Bills	Prior Determination	Updated Determination	Change
Surcharge (%)	2.5034%	3.9157%	1.4123%
Customer Bill			
1X 96 Gallon Roll Cart	\$18.01	\$18.01	\$0.00
Regulatory Cost Charge @ 1.731%	\$0.33	\$0.32	(\$0.01)
Surcharge Amount (\$)	\$0.45	\$0.71	\$0.26
Total Customer Bill (\$)	\$18.79	\$19.04	\$0.25

Waste Connections of Alaska, Inc.
Cost of Fuel Surcharge Amount
TA143-692

Calculation of Cost of Fuel Surcharge		
Line	Description	Prior Determination Updated Determination
A	Estimated Per Unit Fuel Cost	3.1077 \$ 3.4899
B	Estimated Fuel Consumption	69,410.50 69,290.69
C	Total Estimated Fuel Costs (A*B)	215,710 \$ 241,818
D	Balancing Account Balance	\$ 141,277 \$ 199,411
E	Total (C+D)	\$ 356,988 \$ 441,229
F	Estimated Retail Sales	\$ 6,247,927 \$ 6,191,851
G	Projected Cost of Fuel (E/F)	5.7137% 7.1260%
H	Base Cost of Fuel	3.2103% 3.2103%
I	Cost of Fuel Surcharge Amount (G-H)	2.5034% 3.9157%

Comments

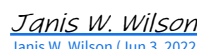
Actual Costs			
	Prior Quarter	Reported Quarter	Change
Per Unit Fuel Cost	\$ 3.34	\$ 4.23	\$ 0.89
Total Fuel Cost	\$ 230,987.30	\$ 146,610.37	\$ (84,376.93)
Balancing Account	\$ 141,277.70	\$ 199,410.69	\$ 58,132.99

Actual Revenues			
	Prior Quarter	Reported Quarter	Change
Surcharge Revenues	\$ (165,445.93)	\$ (8,618.11)	\$ 156,827.82
Base Cost Revenues	\$ 235,094.88	\$ 97,095.46	\$ (137,999.42)

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RCA NO. 692	Thirty-Eighth Revision	SHEET NO. 63.2	RECEIVED APR 11 2022 <small>STATE OF ALASKA REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA</small>
	Cancelling Thirty-Seventh Revision	SHEET NO. 63.2	
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF ALASKA, INC. d/b/a ALASKA WASTE SECTION 300.10.25 RESIDENTIAL SURCHARGES			

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE RESIDENTIAL SURCHARGES

COST OF FUEL SURCHARGE

(1) Cost for Bi-annual period beginning **March 1, 2022** (T)

Source	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total	
Diesel Fuel	69,410.50 Gal	X 3.1077 per gal	= \$215,710	(R)(I)(I)

(2) Balance in Cost of Fuel Balancing Account as of **December 31, 2021** \$ 141,277 (T)(I)

(3) Total Lines (1) and (2) above \$ 356,987 (I)

(4) Estimated Bi-annual Revenue \$ 6,247,927 (R)

(5) Projected Cost of Fuel (Line (3)/(4)) 5.7137% (I)

(6) Base Cost of Fuel 3.2103%

(7) Cost of Fuel Surcharge (Line (5)-(6)) 2.5034% (I)

This surcharge applies to Residential rates, including extra can and bag charges.

Tariff Advice No. 142-692 Effective: March 1, 2022

Issued By: WASTE CONNECTIONS OF ALASKA, INC. d/b/a ALASKA WASTE

By: Heather Garland Title Pricing Manager

RCA NO. 692	Thirty-Ninth Revision	SHEET NO. 63.2	TARIFF SECTION RECEIVED APR 26 2022 RCA
	Cancelling Thirty-Eighth Revision	SHEET NO. 63.2	
WASTE CONNECTIONS OF ALASKA, INC. d/b/a ALASKA WASTE SECTION 300.10.25 RESIDENTIAL SURCHARGES			

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE RESIDENTIAL SURCHARGES

COST OF FUEL SURCHARGE

(1) Cost for Bi-annual period beginning **May 1, 2022** (T)

Source	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total	
Diesel Fuel	69,290.69 Gal	X \$3.4899 per gal	= \$241,818	(R)(I)(I)

(2) Balance in Cost of Fuel Balancing Account as of **March 31, 2022** \$ 199,410 (T)(I)

(3) Total Lines (1) and (2) above \$ 441,228 (I)

(4) Estimated Bi-annual Revenue \$ 6,191,851 (R)

(5) Projected Cost of Fuel (Line (3)/(4)) 7.1260% (I)

(6) Base Cost of Fuel 3.2103%

(7) Cost of Fuel Surcharge (Line (5)-(6)) 3.9157% (I)

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